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New York Scene

Wed., Aug. 23 - Special Meeting (for Active members) to discuss proposed OPC constitutional amendments. Quorum call at 8 p.m. Dinner and cocktails available at 6:30 p.m.

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Harry Golden to Join Tribute to Sandburg

Wed., Sept. 6 - Tribute to Carl Sandburg, Cocktails, 6:30 p.m., dinner 7:30 p.m.

Famed author Harry Golden is the latest addition to the roster of guests for the Carl Sandburg evening.

Golden, author of the best-sellers *Only in America* and *For 2¢ Plain*, will fly up from Charlotte, N.C., to share his anecdotes and remembrances of Sandburg, who was his close friend and neighbor. Golden was author of a Sandburg biography published in 1961.

The evening will feature some of top names from the world of literature, theater, arts, and journalism. Announced last week were actress Tallulah Bankhead and critic Harry Hansen.

Bulletin Adds Men in Saigon, Moscow

The Bulletin has gained correspondents in two key news areas - Saigon and Moscow.

They are *Richard D. Rosenbaum*, recently named chief of Saigon bureau for ABC News, and *Jay Axelbank*, returning to Moscow after a year in New York on Ford Foundation fellowship.

They will serve in addition to the *Bulletin* correspondents already in those areas - *Beverly Deepe*, former correspondent. (Cont'd on page 2)

OPCERS TO PICK 'HEROES' FOR NEW CLUB BOOK PROJECT

A questionnaire to determine the 10 great "heroes" of this century accompanies this issue of *The Bulletin*, under the sponsorship of the Book Publishing Committee.

The results of the questionnaire will be the basis of a Club-sponsored book to be published by The K. S. Giniger Company in Association with Stackpole Books, it was announced by *Will Yolen*, chairman of the Publishing Committee.

So that the royalties on this book will go to OPC 100%, Yolen and *Kenneth Giniger*, also a member of the Committee, will serve as non-paid editors.

When results of the questionnaire are in, 10 OPCers will be assigned to do

the "hero" they know best. The book is aimed at the juvenile market and for the school trade.

For the convenience of domestic-based members, a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed with this issue. However, because it is impossible to send pre-paid metered mail overseas, it is hoped the overseas people will get the questionnaire back to the Club on their own or via company pouches.

The book is planned for 1968 fall publication, according to Giniger, who is president of the publishing company.

The project has been endorsed by the Book Publishing Committee as well as by the Board of Governors.

WASHINGTON COMMITTEE BUSY ON GETTING CLUB SPEAKERS

By JESSIE STEARNS

WASHINGTON - President *Hal Lehrman* met with members of the OPC's Washington Committee here at lunch last week, where the group discussed their efforts to secure speakers and programs for the Club, among other projects.

The 17-member Washington Committee, named by Lehrman after he took office in May, has been active in contacting top government officials and members of Congress to appear at the Clubhouse.

Lehrman named *Jessie Stearns* as chairman of the Washington group, to work with *Whit Burnett*, head of the OPC Program Council, in New York.

Ansel Talbert, *Joe Newman* and *Dixon Donnelley* are vice chairmen. *Clayton Willis* heads the Viet Nam subcommittee.

Those present to learn the latest developments at the OPC were Talbert (arriving minutes after dismissal from the hospital following eye surgery), *Helen Zotos*, *Hope Chamberlin*, *Will*

Sparks, *Edward Miller*, *Fay Wells*, *Art Settel*, and your reporter.

Other members who will serve but who were not at this meeting at the National Press Club were *Joe Rosapepe*, *Esther Van Wagoner Tufty*, *Dixon Donnelley*, *George Herman*, *Edgar Mowrer*, *James G. Morton*, *Joe Newman*, *Ralph Hutto* and *Larry LeSueur*.

Lehrman reviewed arrangements and prospects for the Edward R. Murrow World Affairs and Homecoming Forum events. He reported that a \$10,000 fund from the OPC Foundation would be available to draw on for expenses and arrangements for those projects. He stressed that the contribution is to add to public understanding of international issues.

He also described the agreements with the Boston and Philadelphia World Affairs groups to pay \$100 plus expenses to each foreign correspondent returning from overseas assignments to speak before their memberships.

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Letters

\$500 CLEAR

In a recent report on the last meeting of the OPC Board of Governors, this note appeared in the Bulletin: "Special Flight Committee (Madeline D. Ross, Chairman) — A remainder of \$500 after travel costs was recouped for the Club . . . thanks to efficient operation of the recent European flight."

As a five-time participant in these special flights, I was interested in the use of the word "recouped" which, in my lexicon, suggests that the Club had advanced a sum for the operation of the flight arrangements. I checked this with the Flight Chairman and was assured that the Club had never advanced any money for the setting-up of these flights and that clerical and other work performed in the Club's office was regularly charged to flight expenses. The only contribution on the part of the OPC came, therefore, from the stories in *The Bulletin* about special plans for these very special flights.

In past years the Special Flight Committee has turned over to the Club, after all expenses were paid, certain sums of money, sometimes larger than the amount

mentioned in the recent *Bulletin*. I know from experience with these flights that they serve to dramatize the Club's image abroad and that they produce important and exciting welcoming events sponsored by foreign governments, press organizations or others who wish to pay tribute to OPC prestige. It is because of the untiring efforts of Madeline Ross and her years of know-how that the flights are so rewarding. That she is able also to enrich the Club's treasury is nothing short of miraculous. It seems only fair to keep the record clear on sums contributed to the Club from these flights.

Hildegard Fillmore

KUHN THANKS

Irene Corbally Kuhn wants to thank those members who generously sent her their copies of the July 15 *Bulletin*. She has received an adequate supply as result of the appeal in the Aug. 5 issue.

CONDOLENCES TO BUCKINGHAM

The Club this week sent condolences to Rob Roy Buckingham, whose mother, Mrs. Roy Buckingham of Casper, Wyo., died Aug. 14.

DISCUSS AMENDMENTS THIS WEDNESDAY

Active members will convene at 8 p.m. this Wednesday for a far-ranging discussion of the proposed amendments to the OPC constitution.

An impartial digest of comments made during the discussion meeting will be compiled and mailed to the voting members, along with their ballots, in September.

Cocktails and dinner are available from 6:30 p.m., and Actives are urged to convene in the dining room at latest at 8 p.m. so that the required quorum can be established promptly.

Bulletin (Cont'd from page 1)

spondent for the defunct *New York Herald Tribune* and now freelance correspondent, and *Scott Bruns*, UPI Moscow bureau.

Axelbank is shortly returning to Moscow to cover the 50th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution and will once again serve as *Bulletin* correspondent.

Rosenbaum, named to his new ABC post last month, has been in Viet Nam for nearly a year, serving as assistant bureau chief. Before his overseas assignment, Rosenbaum was a writer for ABC Radio News in New York. He also has held posts as news editor, AFN Europe, and as news director for KCKN in Kansas City.

The correspondents will keep *Bulletin* readers informed about the news corps and their profession in those areas.

WASHINGTON

(Cont'd from page 1)

The OPC president said he was hopeful that a newsmaker from the Middle East crisis would headline the first Edward R. Murrow World Affairs meeting. The meeting may be a luncheon, dinner, press conference or reception.

In addition, Lehrman told the Washington group that many members who had resigned are rejoining the Club and that the number of resignations has dwindled. There also was lengthy discussion about reciprocal arrangements with Washington press clubs.

Membership

NEW MEMBERS AFFILIATE

Sidney Augstein — President, S. Augstein & Co., Inc., New York, New York.

Frank Gilchrist — PR Director, Penn-Dixie Cement Corporation, New York, New York.

Andrew G.E. Racz — Security Analyst, Hardy & Co., New York, New York.

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COVERAGE TOUR IN INDIA DROUGHT AREA

By JOE McGOWAN, JR.

NEW DELHI — AP's Pulitzer prize-winner Horst Faas from Saigon and your correspondent have completed an extensive tour of India's drought-famine area — the second year AP has done a major photo-news package with Faas in India. Faas then continued to Europe for home leave and to rejoin his wife, Ursula, who was hospitalized in Aachen with a serious infection.

Baldy of Keystone agency hit with a color cover and three pages of inside photos in the July 16 edition of Parade. He was assigned to show Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker and his new wife (Ambassador to Nepal Carol Laise) in Katmandu.

AP newsman Myron Belkind on temporary assignment in Kuala Lumpur.

OPC'er **Ernie Weatherall** here to open a bureau for McGraw-Hill. Sharokh Sabavala has left Christian Science Monitor and taken a PR position with Tata Industries in Bombay.

Arthur J. Dommen of Los Angeles Times back from home leave, lugging a new set of tires for his car all the way from Hong Kong. Had to pay the usual 100 per cent duty, plus overweight, but as he said, "What can you do?" (His size tire is unavailable in India.)

Warren Unna of Washington Post planning final round of visits in India before his transfer home in September. Jim Keat of Baltimore Sun also homeward, in October. Peter Hazelhurst and his American wife checked in from Hong Kong for Times of London, replacing Neville. Donald Milner of BBC hospitalized at Kanpur with serious leg injuries suffered when his car overturned after swerving to miss bullock cart at night. He was enroute to Bihar to survey the famine situation.

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ANOTHER RAVE FOR OPC BOOK

Mark up another "win" for the OPC book, *How I Got That Story*.

The Boston Sunday Globe gave a glowing review to the current book, calling it a "most interesting and informative potpourri of journalistic enterprise that proves why the age of the computer can become only a vaguely related part of the reportorial process."

Tad Szulc's chapter, "The New York Times and the Bay of Pigs," came in for special praise from reviewer Robert Baram.

"The latter ranks as one of the classics in journalism history. What should a reporter do when he accidentally learns that his nation is acting in concert with an underground organization plotting the invasion of Cuba? How should his newspaper play that story?"

Baram said the stories reveal "the many elements that make up a professional reporter's almost bottomless kit of tools: perseverance, courage, the wheels of fortune, contacts, an appropriate measure of humility, overwhelming curiosity, wisdom, and an editor who is willing to pay the bills and be patient."

How I Got That Story is available at a special members' price of \$5, either at the lobby desk or by mail.

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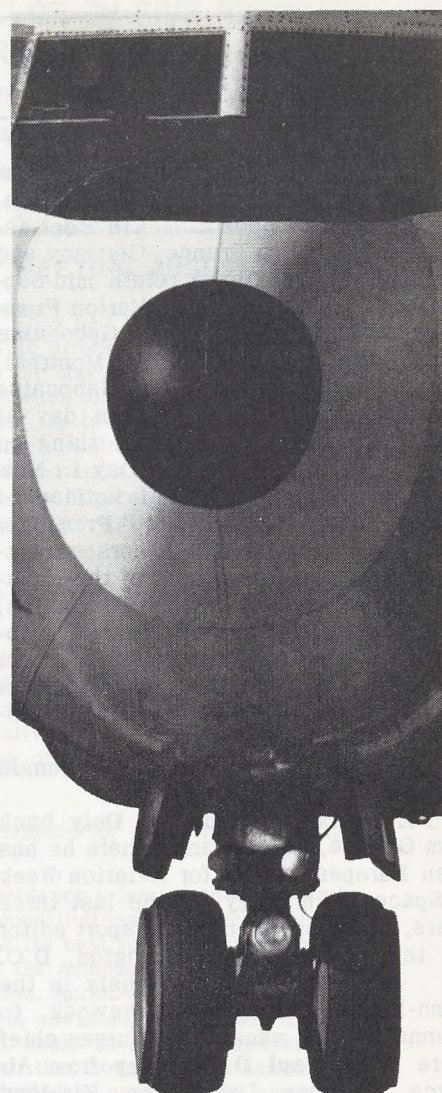
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PEOPLE & PLACES

By BETTY ETTER

ON THE GO: St. Paul-based **Tom Johnson** in town arranging for publication of his new book . . . **Lin Root** assignment-bound to France, Germany and England. She plans to return mid-September . . . The Honorable **Marion Preminger**, consul general of the Gabonaise Republique, is back from Montreal, where she represented the Gabonaise government on official Gabon day at EXPO 67. She did the same thing on Aug. 17 at United Nations Day in New York marking the national holiday of Gabon independence. Mrs. Preminger has been collecting new honors; recently received the Commander of the Equatorial Star, highest African decoration, for her work "for self-governing territories" on that continent; Grand Officer of the Liberty Congolese; and Chevalier of Grand Medaille of the Reconnaissance of Gabon.

CHECKING IN: **David MacDonald** from Canada.

NEW POSTS: **Laurence Doty** back from Geneva, Switzerland, where he has been European editor for Aviation Week & Space Technology for the last three years, to become senior transport editor for the magazine in Washington, D.C. . . . **John Dornberg**, previously in the Bonn-Berlin bureau of Newsweek, to Vienna as the magazine's bureau chief there . . . **Paul D. Kackley** from Air Force Weapons Laboratory, Kirkland AFB, N.M., at Albuquerque, to Holloman AFB, near Alamogordo, N.M., as chief of the base information office's Internal Information and Community Relations Division.

ARTICLES: **Dorothy Ducas** in the August issue of Today's Health with a piece on "Progress in the Fight Against Asthma." . . . **James Wakefield Burke** authored "The Carving of Red Puppet" in the current Broadside, Vol. 2, No. 6. It's about the young Fidel Castro, who has sentenced the author to death, in absentia, for conspiracy to loot the national treasury. "A noble charge," says Burke.

BOOKS: **Theodore H. White's** documentary, "China - The Roots of Mad-

AXELBANK TO USSR

Jay Axelbank is en route to Moscow to complete several assignments in connection with the 50th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution.

Axelbank, who spent three years in Moscow for UPI, has just completed a Ford Foundation fellowship at Columbia University in Soviet studies.

He is on leave of absence from UPI.

ness," to be published in January by Norton. The Wolper film thereof won two Emmys in its TV showings . . . From the busy typewriter of **Morris Ernst** are due this fall "The Teacher," (Prentice-Hall), "Comparative International Almanac," "New Triple Crostricks" with E. Black (Bantam), "US Supreme Court Reversals," with L. Siegel, (Weybright & Talley), "My Love Affair with the Law" (Macmillan) and "Miscellany" (U. of Texas Press).

RADIO & TV: Interviewing West Germany's Chancellor Kurt Kiesinger on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press" Aug. 20 were **John W. Heffeman** of Reuters and **James Robinson**, NBC news correspondent . . . **Walter Kirschenbaum** with **Barry Farber** (WOR) to discuss "Rebellion USA: An Up-to-date Look." . . . **Hugh Mulligan** and **Burnet Hershey** guested on Irv Kupcinet's show in Chicago last week and plugged each other's current books - Mulligan's "No Place to Die" and Hershey's "The Odyssey of Henry Ford and the Great Peace Ship."

SPEAKERS: Among those taking part in a two-day meeting in Boston, Va., of the Freedom Studies Center of the American Security Council were OPCers: President **Hal Lehman**, **Irene Corbally Kuhn**, **Edgar Ansel Mowrer**, **Christopher Emmet**, **Gene Lyons** and **Isaac Don Levine** . . . **M.D. Morris** gave the session on technical writing at the U. of Massachusetts summer writer's workshop on Nantucket.

HONORS: The Huntington Hartford Museum mounting a **Lucy Jarvis** Festival of the NBC producer's prize-winning TV documentaries . . . **Esther Van Wagoner Tufty** the subject of a feature story in the Matrix, Publication of Theta Sigma Phi . . . **Richard J. Callahan**, editor-in-chief of 33 Magazine and president of the Metals Journalists Society, has received unanimous endorsement of the Conservative Party County Committee as a candidate for Congress from the 17th Congressional District (NY). Dick ran for the same spot in the '66 elections and received the largest number of votes ever cast for a Conservative candidate for that office . . . Past President **Louis P. Lochner** invited to Berlin to be a judge in the Fourth International Television contest, which will be one of the features of the Berlin Radio and TV Exposition, to be opened Aug. 25 by Foreign Minister Willy Brandt. Lochner also will participate in a TV panel discussion on Germany of the Weimar Republic and Nazi periods. Mrs. Lochner will accompany her husband for a stay

of several months in Europe . . . **Anita Diamant Berke** a judge for the "Unsung Heroine" award given annually by the women's division of the Veterans of Foreign Wars . . . **Stanley A. Frankel** elected to the board of trustees of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency . . . **Ben Lucien Burman's** predictions about General de Gaulle in 1941, and contained in his 1963 book, "The Generals Wear Cork Hats," was the subject of an editorial in the Memphis Commercial Appeal for July 29, 1967. The book, with its non-complimentary remarks, has been banned in France.

SICK BAY: **Basil Woon** recuperating from a bout with pneumonia . . . **L.E. Levick**, OPC art chairman, convalescing at home after a few months' hospitalization.

ON LEAVE: Dean **Edward W. Barrett** of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism on leave until Feb. 1.

130 PLUGS: **Henriette Kish**, whose syndicated column for NANA goes to 130 papers, featured the 34 authors of "How I Got That Story" in a recent column, making the point that age is no barrier to the professional foreign correspondent.

NEW OUTLETS: Former World Journal Tribune columnists **Bob Considine** and **Victor Riesel** now appearing in Town & Village, a Manhattan weekly newspaper.

RASH REQUEST: ABC's new father **Sam Jaffe**, finding certain facets of life in Hong Kong a problem, sent the following cable to Syd Byrnes in NY: "Realize this unusual request but in view Hong Kong water rationing and possible crisis would appreciate someone air expressing five dozen large size plastic paper diapers which unobtainable here for our baby. Will immediately reimburse." To which Byrnes replied: "Code working well. Even I thought you meant send diapers. Regret water problem. Help on way for a change."

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THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT ON FIVE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB CONSTITUTION. Before marking your ballot on page 3, read the Digest and Instructions on pages 1 and 2.

DIGEST OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS DISCUSSION AT MEMBERSHIP MEETING AUGUST 23, 1967

President Hal Lehrman, in the chair, explained the background of the Amendments: They had originated in the Constitution Committee, headed by Past President Louis P. Lochner, in consultation with Club Attorney Frank C. Wachsmith and the Club President. As propositions, they were lengthily discussed and refined at the May meeting of the Board of Governors. Based on this discussion, draft texts were prepared by the Constitution Committee and presented to the June meeting of the Board, which further debated and revised them. As constitutionally required, the texts were then circulated as a petition to obtain the necessary minimum of seventy-five Active signatures. Over three hundred members signed the petition. The texts were then registered with the July meeting of the Board, which endorsed and approved them for submission to the entire world-wide Active membership. They were now being discussed at this General Active Membership Meeting according to constitutional requirement, and a digest of this debate would be sent to the voting membership along with the ballot.

Amendment 1: Abolishing the right of the President to appoint three members of the Nominating Committee, and empowering the Board of Governors to elect the entire Committee.

Discussion of this Amendment was limited, and approval of it was general. President Lehrman explained that he himself had initiated the proposal, to divest the Presidency of near-control over the Nominating Committee: a President who has the power to name three men out of seven could, if so inclined, reach for domination of all seven; the Board of Governors, which represents *every* group and point of view in the Club, is more truly representative of the entire membership; it therefore should elect the entire Committee. A consensus of views was taken by a show of hands. The meeting was unanimously in favor of this Amendment.

Amendment 2: Removing the mandatory requirement that two candidates must be nominated for each office, and thus avoiding the provocation of a contest when no real contest may exist.

One member present recalled that he had been "dragooned" into running for the Presidency a few years ago when he had no desire to run and agreed to do so only because the Nominating Committee was constitutionally compelled to produce a second candidate. He strongly favored allowing the Nominating Committee to use its best judgment and nominate only one candidate on the rare occasions when only one candidate was clearly available; the Amendment would not hinder the nomination of two candidates; it would simply give the Nominating Committee an option. Another member felt it would be more democratic to have two candidates always. This view was contested by several speakers, who argued that the Nominating Committee, which represents the entire Board and therefore the entire Club, would be acting democratically enough if it used common sense and nominated candidates because they were qualified rather than because their names were needed to fill a slate. One Vice-President pointed out that the right of members to nominate any candidate for any office *by petition would remain inviolate* and would insure a democratic option. A show of hands indicated that this Amendment was favored by a very strong majority.

Amendment 3: Creating three Associate Governorships.

The discussion centered on three main views: 1) The Amendment would not give sufficient recognition to Associates; 2) it gave the Associates too much recognition; 3) it struck a happy middle ground by permitting the Associates some voting rights without jeopardizing the decision-making control by Actives and without antagonizing Actives. A Vice President warned that overseas members might be scared off if the "overseas" quality of the Club seemed threatened by giving Associates too much power to influence policy, though he himself did not believe they were getting too much power. The Chair agreed, noting that "the foreign-correspondent quality and lustre of the Club is the thing which has made OPC unique and strong while other press clubs in New York have died." On the other hand, he pointed out, Associates are now approximately 49% of the total membership; they make distinguished contributions to the Club. "It would be an act of decency to give them some representation in Club leadership." It was stressed that there would be only three Associate Governorships, as against nineteen Active Governors and Officers, plus several voting Past Presidents. The fact was further noted that the Associate Governors created by this Amendment would not be counted to make up a forum, thereby insuring that at no time would the Associates become almost a majority in any policy decision. On an informal vote, the amendment was recommended by a strong majority.

Amendment 4: Extending the term of all future officers to two years similar to the present two-year term of Governors.

Most of the discussion favored this Amendment. The Amendment's basic purpose, it was indicated, was to eliminate a source of great inefficiency in Club management caused by the inadequacy of a one-year term: Most Officers scarcely had time to become familiar with their jobs, to say nothing of launching the programs on which they were elected, before their year was up. One Past President in the room testified that it took a new President "three months just to learn all the rooms in the Clubhouse." The Presidency especially, several members added, was a tough job demanding time, full knowledge of complex affairs, and hard business skill in the running of a big operation. The point was stressed that the increase of tenure would in no way affect the terms of the current Officers, which would end with this Club year; the two-year term would apply only to Officers chosen in the *next* election. On an informal vote, the Amendment was recommended by a strong majority.

Amendment 5: Establishing minimum eligibility requirements for candidates for any OPC office.

Over

The question was raised whether this would make accession to office a long process, thereby depriving the Club of the services of worthy members. Critics feared that a returning correspondent would automatically be disqualified from higher office until he had been elected and had served as a Governor for two years. In response, advocates of the Amendment stressed that a seat on the Club's policy-making Board required merely one year of simple OPC membership, and that the Club had grown so big and complicated, with so many financial responsibilities, that it would be actually dangerous to choose the top officers through "popularity contests" instead of on the basis of solid and direct experience with Club problems. In answer to an argument from one member that the President of the United States did not have to have special experience requirements, it was pointed out that a Presidential nominee of a major party invariably had served his community and his country as a Governor or Senator, etc., and this was all that the Amendment was seeking by analogy to do. The Amendment would leave practically every Active member eligible for the Board, where he could begin to learn about the Club's problems; in the very first year after the Amendment's passage there would be more than seventy-five eligible candidates for the Presidency, and literally hundreds of eligible candidates for the other offices. Due to the divided opinion and the lateness of the hour and the dwindling number of members still present, it was agreed that the meeting should take no formal position on this Amendment.

INSTRUCTIONS

These amendments were proposed at the Special Membership Meeting of August 23, 1967 at the Clubhouse.

Vote **FOR** or **AGAINST** each of the five (5) proposed constitutional amendments by checking the appropriate box next to each amendment. Use ink in marking Ballot. Tear off perforated Ballot and return it in the official numbered enclosed reply envelop (No other envelope may be used).

All Ballots must be received no later than October 6, 1967.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Jack Frummer, Chairman Frances Kish, Secretary
Howard W. Allen Harry Jiler Grace Naismith
Hallie Burnett Alton Kastner Werner Renberg
Wendell Sether

AMENDMENT I

Hitherto the President has had the right to appoint three members of the Nominating Committee, with the Board of Governors electing the other four. The Amendment (proposed by the incumbent President) would democratize the nominating procedure by empowering the Board to elect the entire Nominating Committee.

The text of the Amendment follows:

AMENDMENT II

At present the Nominating Committee must nominate two candidates for each office, even when no contest exists either on issues or personalities. The proposed Amendment would continue to allow the Committee to nominate two

Art XV
"Nominations for elected offices shall be made either by the Nominating Committee or by the Board of Governors. The Nominating Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, to be elected by each Board of Governors. The President shall designate three members of the Nominating Committee."

candidates — without naming more than two for every office. The right of members to nominate for any office by petition.

The text of the Amendment follows:

AMENDMENT III

At present, Associate Members have no vote and no direct representation in the Club. The Amendment would create three additional Governorships, to be filled by Associates who are elected by Associates. Associate Governors would have the same powers as Active Governors except that, as in the case of Past Presidents, the Associate Governors would not complete a quorum.

The text of the Amendment, affecting two Articles, follows:

Article III: Section Seven

"All members shall enjoy equal privileges in the Club except that

Club except that

(a) Only Active members shall be eligible to vote for and be elected officers of the Club, except Governor elected by Associates.

(b) Only Associate Members shall be eligible to vote for and be elected Associate Governors in its discretion, as provided in present Section Seven.)

Article V: Section One

"The government of the Club shall be confined to the officers and members of the Club."

AMENDMENT IV

The Constitution now allows Governors a two-year term, Officers only a one-year term. The Amendment would give an equal two-year term to all Officers and Governors. This change would not affect the term of present Officers, and would become operative only in the next election.

The text of the Amendment follows:

Article V: Section One

"The Officers of the Club shall be the President, three (3) Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and one or more members of the Club, to be elected for a term of one year in accordance with procedure set forth in the Constitution."

AMENDMENT V

The present Constitution requires no previous experience in or knowledge of Club affairs from any candidate for any office. The Amendment would set up minimum requirements, scaled according to the importance of each post.

The text of the Amendment follows:

Article V: Section One

"The qualifications for officers of the Club shall be:

(a) In the case of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice Presidents, one full term as Governor.

(b) In the case of the Vice Presidents, one full term as Governor.

BALLOT

AMENDMENT I

ates may attend all meetings of the Committee and, in the absence of a member, shall take his place at such meeting, in order, based on the plurality of votes received by such Alternate when elected by the Board. No member or Alternate of the Nominating Committee shall be nominated for any office to be filled in the election for which it is serving.

The Nominating Committee Report shall be confined to a list of candidates."

FOR ☐

AGAINST ☐

AMENDMENT II

the last sentence in the first paragraph of the present Article XV, follows:

"The Nominating Committee shall nominate no more than two (2) candidates for each office and each position on the Board of Governors."

FOR ☐

AGAINST ☐

AMENDMENT III

sisting of all elected officers of the Club, thirteen (13) Governors elected from the Active membership, three (3) Governors elected from the Associate membership and ex-officio of all Past Presidents and presently serving Regional Chairmen who are members in good standing.

Only elected Officers and Governors of the Club who are Active members shall be counted in determining a quorum and the votes of ex-officio members shall not exceed a majority of the elected Board members present.

The procedure for the election of officers and members of the Board shall be set forth in the By-laws."

FOR ☐

AGAINST ☐

AMENDMENT IV

The unsuccessful candidate for President, provided there is more than one nominee, may be named a fourth Vice President upon recommendation of the President and the Board of Governors, provided he secures at least 30% of the total votes cast. In the event that the fourth Vice President should resign, this vacancy shall not be filled."

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AMENDMENT V

(c) In the case of the Treasurer, at least two years of Active membership in the Club prior to the date of the next Annual Meeting;

(d) In the case of Governors, at least one year of Active or Associate membership, as the case may be, prior to the date of the next Annual Meeting."

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